26. Combination of Anabolic Steroids with other drugs.

27. Fixed dose combination of Oestrogen and Proestin (Other than oral contraceptives) containing per tablet Ostrogen content to more than 50 mcp. (equivalent to Ethenyle Estradiol) and of proestine content of more than 3 mg. (equivalent to Norethisterene Acetate).

Strengthening of NCC

157. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up any programme for strengthening of NCC;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether some new measures are being adopted by Government for that purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The report of the Evaluation Committee on the NCC is under examination. Further measures regarding the NCC will depend on the decisions on the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee and the overall financial constraints.

Improved pay scale and other benefits to the employees of NMEP

158. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to give the employees working under the National Malaria Eradication Programme a better deal;

(b) whether the pay and allowances of those employees are proposed to be raised; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government in that regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) National Malaria Eradication Programme is a centrally sponsored category II Plan scheme on 50:50 cost sharing basis between the Centre and State governments. The employees working under National Malaria Eradication Programme are employed by States Governments/U.T. administrations and they are governed by the service rules of the concerned State/U.T. Administration.

Setting up of a Computer Centre in Orissa

159. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of computer centres established in the country so far;

(b) whether Government propose to establish a computer centre in Orissa also;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof stating the site selected and by when it is proposed to be established; and

(d) what are the financial implications of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Regional Computer Centres have been set up at Chandi-

garh and Calcutta by the Department of Electronics and at Delhi Pune, Hydrabad and Bhubaneshwar as part of network NICNET set up by the National Informatics Centre under Planning Commission.

(b) As a large computer centre has already been established by the Government of India at Bhubaneswar. Such a proposal is not before the Government.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Import of Dexamethasone

160. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Dexamethasone is being imported into the country;

(b) if so, the names of the drug companies which imported Dexamethasone during the last three years, yearwise, alongwith the quantity imported by each;

(c) what is the source of import of each company and CIF Price per kg.;

(d) what are the major selling brands of Dexamethasone being marketed in the country by these importers; and

(e) what is the price at which each pack and strength of each of these formulations are being sold in the market?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Statemet-I is annexed. (See below).

(d) and (e) Some of the popular brands of Dexamethasone with strengths as well as price of each is given in the enclosed Statement-II. (See below).

Statement — I

Information available with this Ministry regarding import of Dexamethasone and its salts is given below:—

Year	Quantity imported (in kgs.)	C.I.F. price per kg. (in Rs.)
1985-86 . .	238	37,755
1986-87 . .	296.367	39,650
1987-88 . .	470.250	39,146

Dexamaethasone is generally imported from Italy, Spain, Switzerland, France and Portugal.

Statement-II

Some of the popular brands of Dexamethasone with strength as well as price of each is given below:—

Brand Name	Strength	Price
1. Dexo inj.	4 mg per ml.	2 ml. Rs. 6.85
Tablets	0.5 mg	10 tablets Rs. 2.51
2. Decadrong tab.	0.5 mg	10 tablets Rs. 2.21
3. Idizone Tablet	0.5 mg	10 tablets Rs. 1.51
Injection	4 mg per ml.	2 ml. Rs. 4.38
4. Wymesone Tab.	0.5 mg	10 tablets Rs. 2.47
Injection	4 mg per ml.	2 ml. Rs. 6.62